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Furnish this exhibit for EACH foreign principal listed in an initial statement and for EACH additional foreign principal acquired subsequently.

1. Name and address of registrant 2. Registration No.

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3. Name of foreign principal 4. Principal address of foreign principal

**The Republic of Latvia
(Mr. Ojars Blumbergs)**

Riga, Latvia

5. Indicate whether your foreign principal is one of the following type:

- Foreign government
- Foreign political party
- Foreign or domestic organization: If either, check one of the following:
 - Partnership
 - Corporation
 - Association
 - Committee
 - Voluntary group
 - Other (specify)
- Individual—State his nationality

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6. If the foreign principal is a foreign government, state:

- a) Branch or agency represented by the registrant.
- b) Name and title of official with whom registrant deals.**

**Mr. OJARS BLUMBERGS,
Chairman of the Parliamentary
Committee on Architecture and
Construction, Transport, Energy
and Communications**

7. If the foreign principal is a foreign political party, state:

- a) Principal address
- b) Name and title of official with whom registrant deals.
- c) Principal aim

8. If the foreign principal is not a foreign government or a foreign political party,

a) State the nature of the business or activity of this foreign principal

b) Is this foreign principal

Owned by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal Yes No

Directed by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal Yes No

Controlled by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal Yes No

Financed by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal Yes No

Subsidized in whole by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal Yes No

Subsidized in part by a foreign government, foreign political party, or other foreign principal Yes No

9. Explain fully all items answered "Yes" in Item 8(b). (If additional space is needed, a full insert page may be used.)

10. If the foreign principal is an organization and is not owned or controlled by a foreign government, foreign political party or other foreign principal, state who owns and controls it.

Date of Exhibit A

December 3, 1990

Name and Title

Albert Z. Lewis

Signature



INSTRUCTIONS: A registrant must furnish as an Exhibit B copies of each written agreement and the terms and conditions of each oral agreement with his foreign principal, including all modifications of such agreements; or, where no contract exists, a full statement of all the circumstances by reason of which the registrant is acting as an agent of a foreign principal. This form shall be filed in triplicate for each foreign principal named in the registration statement and must be signed by or on behalf of the registrant.

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Name of Registrant

Name of Foreign Principal

ALBERT Z. LEWIS, JR.

REPUBLIC OF LATVIA

Check Appropriate Boxes:

- 1. The agreement between the registrant and the above-named foreign principal is a formal written contract. If this box is checked, attach three copies of the contract to this exhibit.
- 2. There is no formal written contract between the registrant and foreign principal. The agreement with the above-named foreign principal has resulted from an exchange of correspondence. If this box is checked, attach three copies of all pertinent correspondence, including a copy of any initial proposal which has been adopted by reference in such correspondence.
- 3. The agreement or understanding between the registrant and the foreign principal is the result of neither a formal written contract nor an exchange of correspondence between the parties. If this box is checked, give a complete description below of the terms and conditions of the oral agreement or understanding, its duration, the fees and the expenses, if any, to be received.

Oral agreement to represent the Republic of Latvia on a pro bono basis in connection with obtaining investment by private business in Latvia, particularly in aid of scheduled air commerce, or other infrastructure development related thereto.

4. Describe fully the nature and method of performance of the above indicated agreement or understanding.

**Legal Representation in DOT Docket 47149
Intoduction to U.S. businessmen, attorneys, and US public officials**

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5. Describe fully the activities the registrant engages in or proposes to engage in on behalf of the above foreign principal.

1. Legal representation and counselling
2. telephone communications
3. distribution of press releases where appropriate
4. publication of official documents of Latvia, ie. regulations, or statutes if available

6. Will the activities on behalf of the above foreign principal include political activities as defined in Section 1(o) of the Act?¹

Yes No

If yes, describe all such political activities indicating, among other things, the relations, interests or policies to be influenced together with the means to be employed to achieve this purpose.

1. influence U.S. Department of Transportation to give favorable consideration to those U.S. applicants who seek authority to serve Riga, Latvia by scheduled air service.
2. Seek support among businessmen for economic investment in Latvia, as well as recognition of the legal independence of the Baltic States from the Soviet Union.

Date of Exhibit B	Name and Title	Signature
Dec 3, 1990	Albert Z. Lewis, Jr.	

¹Political activity as defined in Section 1(o) of the Act means the dissemination of political propaganda and any other activity which the person engaging therein believes will, or which he intends to prevail upon, indoctrinate, convert, induce, persuade, or in any other way influence any agency or official of the Government of the United States or any section of the public within the United States with reference to formulating, adopting, or changing the domestic or foreign policies of the United States or with reference to the political or public interests, policies, or relations of a government of a foreign country or a foreign political party.

VISITING LATVIAN LEADER COMMENTS ON SOVIET 500-DAY PLAN

Washington, DC -- Mr. Ojars Blumbergs, elected representative to the Latvian Parliament, Chairman of the powerful Permanent Committee of Parliament (overseeing transportation, energy, communications and construction), and member of the Presidium of the Executive Council, arrived last week in New York and will be in Washington, DC September 17 through 21, 1990. His specific purpose is to acquaint himself with Baltia Air Lines, Inc. (*Baltia*), a start-up U.S. airline organized in New York to provide direct air transport between the U.S. and the Baltic States with beyond points in Central and Eastern Europe. Additionally, Mr. Blumbergs will meet with members of the U.S. Congress, the Department of Transportation, and other persons in government and private industry who are working in the areas of his oversight responsibilities in Parliament.

Mr. Blumbergs is uniquely qualified to initially reflect on the recently proposed Soviet 500-Day Plan for economic transformation of the U.S.S.R. From 1988 to his election to Parliament, he was Co-Chairman responsible for economics in the Latvian Popular Front (independence movement). For the prior 26 years, he held senior management positions in the construction, finance and operation of hydro-electric power production and distribution systems in Latvia.

Mr. Blumbergs responded to recent questions as follows:

As a leader in the Latvian movement for political and economic independence from the Soviet Union and as someone with practical experience in the economies of the Baltic States, what is your reaction to the 500-Day Plan recently announced by the U.S.S.R.? The Baltic States, which are firmly on the road to self-determination, would look forward to an understanding, such as the 500-Day Plan, if such an understanding would lead to genuine economic recovery and if it is based on the principle of private initiative. As initially presented, I believe the 500-Day Plan has certain limitations, particularly as applied to the industrial and agricultural sectors. The Plan appears to be geared primarily to applying aspects of the free market to the retail industry and trade. The needs of the Baltic States are more specifically met through their own recovery plans.

How will the 500-Day Plan affect the economic development plan for Latvia? The 500-Day Plan lays a foundation for commercial relations that are based on mutual agreements.

Do you think that the 500-Day Plan would cause Latvia or the Baltic States to reconsider or modify their drive for total independence from the Soviet Union? No, it does not change the declaration by the Baltic nations for true political independence. However, the Plan should promote mutually profitable commercial activity.

What economic development program has been prepared by Latvia and the Baltic States? The Government of Latvia has prepared a program for rapid conversion to a completely, privately-owned market economy. Because the economies of Estonia, Lithuania, Latvia and Russia are inter-related, complex issues still remain to be resolved.

The main facets of the Latvian program are: 1. Reorganize industry on a commercial basis maximizing the economic interests of Latvia and its resources; 2. Stimulate the production of consumer goods and retail trade; 3. Fundamentally reform agriculture in a step-by-step transition from state-planned to privately-owned and -managed farmland where agricultural products are sold in a free market; 4. Lay the foundation for a responsible banking system, issue and use freely convertible currency and establish a regulated stock market; 5. Promote and facilitate Latvia's national commerce; 6. Emphasize business administration in education.

Mr. Blumbergs, why have you made the trip to the United State at this time? As Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee of Latvia, I am here to acquaint us with a new U.S. air carrier, Baltia Air Lines, Inc. We believe that, assuming *Baltia* proceeds as planned, it will benefit the commerce of the Baltic States, be a unifying element in the inter-related economies of the Baltic States, provide employment and will do so in a manner consistent with the economic recovery plan for the Baltic States.

How will Baltia Air Lines impact the economic development of Latvia? We have been following *Baltia's* development for some time and I believe it is dedicated to providing the quality of air service that is absolutely necessary for the development of international commerce between the United States and the Baltic States. Commerce has been suppressed for 40 years and the States are eager to reach out in international commerce. The energy exists in the Baltic States and we believe *Baltia* will be an important means to convert that energy to productivity in air commerce.

Baltia Air Lines is a commercial enterprise wholly-owned by private investors creating an opportunity for Baltic citizens to participate as investors to the extent permitted by U.S. law. It plans to operate in the recently opened market in Central and Eastern Europe with a hub in Riga, Latvia. Because of its geographic location and the industrious nature of our well-educated and highly-skilled people, Riga should develop as an international aviation hub serving the United States on one hand and both Eastern and Western Europe on the other. *Baltia* is the only carrier that is offering regional service with direct non-stop flights to the United States.

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